

Amendments to the Claims

1-24. (Cancelled)

25. (Previously presented) A method for the prophylaxis or treatment of viral myocarditis, which comprises administering an effective amount of 2-amino-2-(2-(4-octylphenyl)ethyl)propane-1,3-diol or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof to a patient in need thereof.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the viral myocarditis is caused by RNA virus or hepatitis virus.

28. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, wherein the RNA virus is orthomyxovirus or picornavirus.

29-32. (Cancelled)

33. (Previously presented) A method for the prophylaxis or treatment of viral myocarditis, which comprises administering an effective amount of 2-amino-2-(2-(4-octylphenyl)ethyl)propane-1,3-diol hydrochloride to a patient in need thereof.

34-36. (Cancelled)